

16 February 2020:
**Second Sunday
Before Lent**

Year A: Proper 2: Ordinary Time week 6

The Parish of East Preston with Kingston

St Mary the Virgin

NOTICE SHEET



Hymns today are: 428, 234, **374(NEH)**, 119, 689

This week's **services:**

Tues-Fri 8:45am Morning Prayer

Thurs 20 Feb 10am Mass

Sun 23 Feb 8am Said Mass, 10am Sung Mass

Don't forget there is a box on the font for your last year's **Palm Crosses** - they will be transformed into ash for this year's Ash Wednesday (26 Feb).

The **parish magazine** is available at the back of church today.

If you are concerned about **Coronavirus**, the Diocese advises **receiving Holy Communion in one Kind** (ie. just the bread), which is to receive the sacrament in its entirety. At the **Exchange of the Peace**, if you are concerned about handshakes, it is enough simply to say 'peace be with you', preferably whilst making eye contact.

Carmel Marlow's funeral is in St Mary's church at 1pm on Tues 18 Feb.

If you want to come to the **Music Evening** (22 Feb) but are struggling with transport - **or if you can offer a lift** - give Chris Wood may be able to help! Give him a ring on 784206!

On Sat 22 Feb at 2.00 pm in The Lower Hall, Arundel Cathedral Centre Christopher Robson will give a talk on **The story of Christianity in West Sussex since the age of Diocletian**. This is an ecumenical event. Any money collected will go to Churches Together in Arundel.

Shrove Tuesday lunch will be Tue 25 Feb at 12 noon in the Spire Room. It will be a "Bring and Share" social occasion and there is a list at the back of the Church. Pauline 412961

This **Lent**, there will be several opportunities to engage in prayer and re-evaluate:

- Lent course at John & Gill Quigley's home, Wednesdays 2pm for 2:30pm start
 - Stations of the Cross, Sundays 3pm
 - Weekly reflections for Lent with Compline
 - 'Plastic-Less Lent'
- Full details on the flyers at the back of church.

NSPCC **Beetle Drive** 7pm Fri 28 Feb and 2pm Sat 29 Feb - at 22 Vicarage Lane. Tickets £6 incl buffet lunch. More info and tickets from Jennie on 859 572.

Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk The World Day of Prayer 2020 takes place on Fri 6 March, starting at 10.30am at St Andrew's URC Church (Holmes Lane, Rustington, BN16 2QA). Further information from Jackie Collett, Sue Baldock or Charis Harbidge.

- * St Mary's needs an **Eco Champion** to co-ordinate our attempts to become a Green Church. Could this be you? If you have an interest and passion in things ecological then please have a word with one of the clergy...

Please remember in your prayers those in special need especially: Anne Langley; Brenda Jones; Matthew; Nigel Sands; Christa; Richard O; Melinda; Valerie; Gordon; Ron; Vivienne; Robert Turrell; Ness; Lucy Parkes; John; Angela; Claire; Jonathan; Michael; Michelle; Phil Shouler; Danni **those who've died recently:** Mandy Paine; David Sheard; Doreen Cresswell **and those whose anniversary falls this coming week:** Iris Hilder; Elsie Husbands; Sisters Elizabeth, Louisa & May-Faith of the Cross; Stella Turnbull; Florence Ventham; Harold Geering; Angela Cross.

*Fr Andrew should be back in action on Tues 18 Feb.
Rev Emma is on leave between 18 and 21 Feb.*

Next Sunday's readings (23 Feb: Sunday next before Lent, OT week 7): Exodus 24.12-end; 2 Peter 1.16-end; Matthew 17.1-9

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www.stmarysep.org.uk : www.facebook.com/groups/stmaryseastpreston (Monday is Emma's day off: Friday is Fr Andrew's day off)

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